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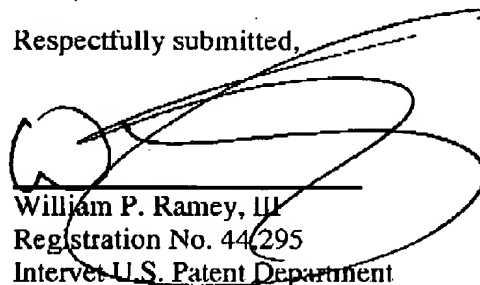
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated December 14, 2004 finally rejecting Claims 1-4 and 6.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee to Deposit Account No. 02-2334. Further, Applicant respectfully petitions for a three-month extension of time, the fee for which may be charged to deposit account 02-2334.

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